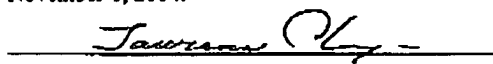



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Interview Summary

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Dear Sir:

The applicants' representative, Lawrence Chapa hereby confirms having discussed the merits of the case with Examiner Ahmed Elallam on October 14, 2004, in response to a telephonic inquiry received from and initiated by the Examiner. During the discussion, the Examiner requested that the applicant consider canceling the claims, which had been rejected in the most recent Official Action, dated July 1, 2004, namely claims 13, 14, 18-20, 23, 25-27 and 30, in order to allow the remaining claims to proceed to allowance.

During the discussion, the Examiner appeared to agree with the applicant that the previously articulated rejection was not proper, in so far as the rejection relied upon an improperly relied upon reference. However, the Examiner suggested that alternative references could be relied upon in place of the improperly relied upon reference. Three such references, namely Haartsen, US Patent No. 5,960,048; Wheatley, III et al., US Patent No. 6,307,840; and Agrawal et al., US Patent No. 6,363,108, were identified by the Examiner and specifically discussed during at least one of the several ensuing telephone conversations. No agreement could be reached concerning the applicability of any of the alternative references, relative to the

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rejected claims. As a result, applicants' representative could not verify properly asserted grounds for rejection, which would justify or necessitate the cancellation and/or amendment of the rejected claims. No agreement was reached concerning the discussed claims.

At this point, the applicants continue to await the Examiner's response to the previously submitted after final response, which was submitted via facsimile on August 30, 2004.

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